UNH Military & Veteran Services Student Soldiers! Supporting Veterans in a shifting Landscape

The UNH Approach to Providing a Welcoming and Barrier Free Experience in Higher Education



Agenda

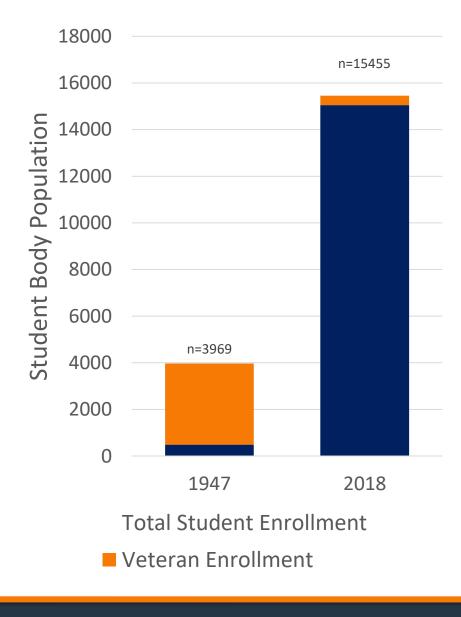
History of Veterans at UNH

Transformation of Veterans Services

Student Veterans Challenges

Are we fulfilling the Veterans needs





Veterans on Campus in Post-War Years

1947

- Total student body comprised of 3969 students
- 88% of students are Veterans
- 12% of student body is non-Veteran

2019

- Total student body comprised of 14,741 students
- 1% of students are Veterans
- 99% of student body is non-Veteran



Polling Question

Education Benefits

Have you used a military education benefit?



Which one?

- Post 9/11 GI Bill
- Montgomery GI Bill
- Chapter 1606
- Tuition Assistance





How UNH Has Shifted Service to Veterans

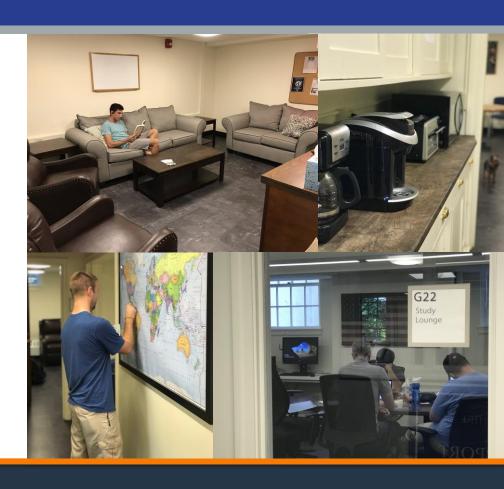
2010

 One Veterans Coordinator processing benefits for 300 students



2020

 Two full-time staff members providing benefits processing for 400 students







How we support Veterans in 2020



Veteran Orientation



Priority registration for Veterans



Programming focused on Veterans' needs



Top Level Support







Handy Acronyms





UNH Veterans spend time with Travis Mills





What do we need to work on?





Being Flexible

- COVID 19
- Limit group size
- Maintaining Contact
 - Communication
 - Admissions process

- Raising Awareness
- Educating Community
- Visibility of Services





VET Connect Orientation Spring 2019



Intersection with NH Community Based Military Programs

To Learn

Share Resources

Make Connections

Build Community

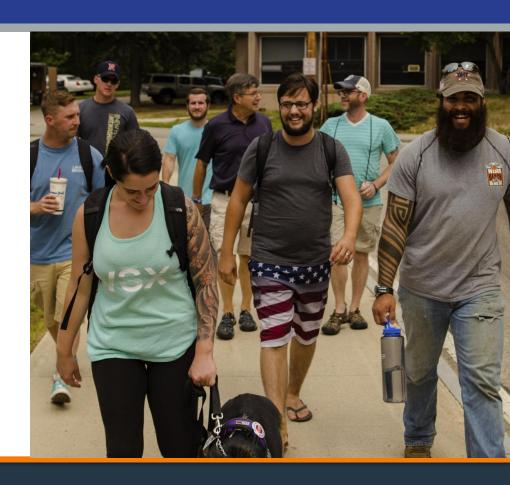
Enhance Understanding





Resources

- https://www.unh.edu/veterans
- Veterans Affairs https://www.VA.gov
- Easter Seals
- Care Coordination Program NH
- Service Link
- Harbor Homes
- VA PREVENTS <u>https://www.va.gov/prevents</u>
- GI Bill Comparator Tool https://www.va.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool
- Northeast Passage https://www.nepassage.org
- Counseling and Psychological Services https://www.unh.edu/pacs/





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